

## Special Prices Monday to Wednesday,

April 10 to 12.





20c





\$1.10 for large \$1.35 ovens.







40c for 50c japanned boxes.

ally retailed at 12c. yard.

pet designs.

Mattings.

90 yard, or \$3.50 for 10-yard roll of beavy China Matting; quality usu-

12C yard, or \$4.50 for 40-foot roll of usual 18c jointless Matting, and 29c yard, or \$10.50 roll, for 35c best jointless Matting.

250 yard, or \$9 for 40-foot roll Ja-panese Cotton Warp Matting, with inserted figures; 29c yard, or \$10.50 roll, for Japanese Matting in car-

490 each for 68c Bingo China Mat-

ting Rugs, 38x72 inches; 89c, instead of \$1, for Mikado Rugs, and \$1.48 instead of \$1.79 for the Sango Matting Rugs, in carpet designs.

4C instead of 5c yard for laying mat-

4 ting; only expert men employed, whose work is an assurance of neat appearance and unusual durability.



59c for 75c, enameled steel double boilers.



for 10c patent egg beater,

Beds, etc.

\$6.98 for the installment house \$10 worth; \$6.98 here for any size

brass-trimmed white enamel hed: wo-

ven wire springs, with extra supports, and patent reversible mattress. Com-plete for \$6.98.

54.98 for the usual \$6.50 to \$7.50 beds single, three-quarter, and double sizes, of iron, white enameled, with rich brass fittings at each corner and brass rod top and bottom.

\$1.39 for \$1.50 woven wire springs, to fit any size bed; \$5.98 for the installment house \$7.50 hair mattress; \$1.69 instead of \$2 pair for feather pillows weighing six pounds.

43°C for the 50°c hemstitched sheets, 81x90 inches; 9°c for 12°c pillow cases, 45x36 inches.

850 for \$1 crochet bed spreads, hem-med, ready for use. These are full size and full weight, in Marseilles

effects, making them look worth more



8c

Table Linens, etc.

450 yard is tomorrow's special price for the 50c silver bleach table damask. Every thread is pure linen and it is 72 inches wide. Tens of thousands of yards sold here these last five

\$1.19 tomorrow instead of \$1.25 dozen for the napkins to match the table line. They are 22 inches; hem-med; endorsed by hotel proprietors and

12C for better than the usual 12:1-2c towels. Heavier, larger, every way better. Not the poorly wearing fringed towel, but the honest hemmed huck towel, 20x40 inches.

190 tomorrow for best of 25c towels, of heavy weight, pure flax, measuring 25x48 inches. A "special" here for many years, they must be known in nearly every home.

heads of thousands of families.

for 10c electro silicon





for 75c stepladders, 6 ft.

Refrigerators, etc.

54.98 for \$6 ice-saving and food-preserving "Jewett." Already marked at less price than prevailing in New York and Philadelphia. The special quotations for tomororw and until Wednesday are fully 25 per cent less than elsewhere.

\$3.75 for the \$4.50 family size ice chests, made of hard wood, gal-vanized lined and charcoal packed; a good, cheap ice chest.

\$1.98 for the "Nursery" refrigerator and water cooler combined. It is an ideal little thing, and not so little. Ask for the "Nursery."

10 per cent discount on the porceat varying prices, from \$2 to \$5, ac

820 for the 89c Japanese water cooler, holding 2 gallons; galvanized lined; japanned outside, with nicket



for \$1 water coolers, 2-



59c for large 75c. clothes

Trunks, etc.

\$2.75 for \$3.10 canvas-covered trunks, with excelsion lock. No. 4 bolts.

10-inch strap, hinges, inside tray and hat box; trunks made in imitation of the best and looking much like them.

JU with ash stays and secured by two good locks; 50c. for 28-inch size; larger size proportionately little-priced.

\$1.00 for the \$1.25 patent indestructi-ble extension suit cases, tooking like leather, but really made of papier mache; water-proof and positively in-



\$1.49 for \$1.75 trunks, covered with water-proof canvas; strength-ened with hardwood slats, iron bands, brass lock, and safety catches; inside tray and hat box.







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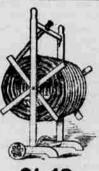


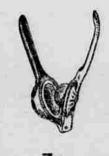
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Havana, April 3.-Lent in Cuba hears fittle resemblance to the penitential season in the United States and northern Europe, and though the people are exceedingly devout, it seems to be well-nigh were glittering nonntains of waxen candles, priceless laces, and frost-work embroideries on cobweb pina, embowered in strange exotic blooms; and the congregations of men in cool, white linen, and women in thinnest muslins, with neither wraps nor bonnets but the lace mantilla, completed one's bewilderment

Even a protracted Lenten fast could not be very severe in this tropical lale of always simple living, pure air, and lavish fruits. If one chooses to deny himself the morning coffee or chocolate, which is served with bread immediately on risingthere are sweet, juicy, incomparable cranges to slack one's thirst, while a golden cuban banana contains nourishment chough for a full meat. Depend upon it, the old monks we read about, who lived on figs, raisins, and goat's milk cheese, did not fare badly. In this country it would be no depriva-

tion to go without butter, or the imported compound that passes under that honored name, for wagon grease and soap fat is savory in comparison. If one is heroically bent upon a veritable mortification of and spirit to atone for some grievous sin, he might perhaps shut his eyes to the small black dots that are sprinkled through the excellent roll allowed with his morning coffee, and let them go the natural way with the bread, instead of disgustedly pinching them out with their enveloping crumbs and hiding them under his plate rim. That would indeed be a dot is a flea, as recognizable in its minute anatomy and articulation as flies in amber.

The Cuban Fles.

It is an open question whether the sweet, light, well-baked bread which is so creditable to Havena bakeries could possi-

iveries, to carry a "prayer carpet" and spread it wherever he can find room on the church floor; and then, when the soft knees of his mistress are crooked upon it. to drop on one corner behind her for his shorn of its rigors. First in the matter of weather. We felt it a wholly disjointed and unnatural proceeding to drive to midnight mass on Christmas eve through air as balmy as New England June, flower scented, and murmarons with mothers.

Palm Sunday.

The Palm Sunday gospel, when read, is very long indeed, and thrice longer when external support, is, to the novice, an ex-perience which for painfulness throws far in the shade a walking tour to Mecca with the dryest of peas in the tightest of

shoes. Instead of the sprigs of box or hem-lock, used in colder countries, whose leaves scatter themselves broadcast before one can get the blessed branches home, veritable paim leaves are of course, distributed here, such as marked the Saviour's entrance into Jerusalem. The Cuban indies, raught in convents, are wonderfully ingentous in plaiting the flexible paim leaves. priest, and distribute them among one's

On Good Friday only business or work, public or private, of the most imperative need is done, and in the houses of the devout it is as if the dearest member of devout it is as if the dearest member of the family were lying dead. Ladies wear the family were lying dead. Ladies wear something be made entirely without the wicked flea which no Culan pursueth; since in the daintiest private housekeeping of the island the pestiferous insects make life a burden, awarming the beds, the wardroles, the canesact chairs and couches, even the seams of the marble floors. Every carriage, car, or other public vehicle is litterally alive with them; and one invariably returns from a promenade with polkadotted hose and under garments. It is taken so much a matter of course—this pest of fleas—that nobody wonders when

Beautiful Blick Mass

High mass in any of Havana's twenty churches is a thing to be long remembered, through air as balmy as New England
June, flower scented, and murmurous with
a gentle sea breeze playing amid the
feathery follage of the palms. And how
much more unreal at Easter, with the
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the merits of their daugnters, with the skylar and a military mass in the cathedral is startlingly impressive. The old building and hedizenment so dear to ignorant taste, and especially dear to the religious heart of Spanish-America. As everybody knows, n this church through two long cer and above his tomb hung the rusty chains with which his ungrateful master bound him. The departing Spanlards should not have been permitted to carry these sacred chanied. To kneel continuously through-out the performance, without the slightest external support is to the provice. isplaced stone that closed the vault emptiness within.

On Easter morning the finest treasures of the sacristy are brought forth to draps the altars and glitter in the floods of waxes light. Jewels sparkle amid the gold em-broideries of the white vestments of eccle-siastics within the altar rail, and a crowd of officers in full uniform lends color to the scene. The other soldiers stand in body near the middle of the church Around them kneels a motley gathering-ladies of high degree with their children genious in plaiting the flexible palm leaves. Besides the long branches blessed by the priest and brought from the church, which all the rest of the year remain twined in window bars "for luck," like the Druids' gorgeous petticoats and chemises whose window bars for luck, like the Draids mistletoe. It is the fashion to make little baskets, crosses, necklases, bracelets, and other pretty trifles of palm, have them duly blessed by some accommodating tills worth its weight in gold, beside a his plate rim. That would indeed be a penance of antique robustness, worthy of Spain in inquisition days—for every black dot is a flea, as recognizable in its minute anatomy and articulation as fles in amber.

The Cuban Flea.

On Good Friday only business. beggar in filthy rags; a somewhat worldly

Instead of the simple in nomine patris, etc., touching forehead, breast, and shoulders—here forehead, mouth, and heart are severally blessed, and then the thumb and forefinger make a cross, which is kissed. At the elevation of the host these is a tap upon the drum. Swords flash out and the soldiers bend stiffly. Then a long, still pause—another tap upon the drum—the soldiers straighten themselves and the swords are sheathed with a claster.

The Wicked Flea as a Bread Component.

Havana's Splendid Fish Marke: the Solace of Lenten Ascetics.

A Bright and Chatty Letter on Holy Week Incidents in the Antillies.

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The Palais Royal. A. LISNER. G and Eleventh Sts.

non boom, drums beat, trumpers hushed church bells clamor again, flags hushed church bells clamor again, flags hushed church bells clamor again, flags with clumsy wooden anuiters who longed to make the place beautiful who longed to make the place beautiful for the greatest fless of the year, had found a way as inexpensive as effective. Enormous branches of the royal palm had been cut, and these were ranged along the been cut, and these were ranged along the walls and in two inner ranks, to convert the nave into a triple areade on the spien-fully prescribed conditions. But another fully prescribed conditions. Next the sisters had profusely starred all the deep, lustrous green-ness of the arcades with fragrant clusters the last few years, while producing equal-of rose-pink oleanders, fied among the ly delightful years, seems to be free from siender ribbons of the pain leaves. An exquisite altar, that looked like a many duste after, that looked like a many-letted fountain of flowers and lights, even the bobeches of the candlesticks being made of leaves and blossoms, closed the made of leaves and blossoms, closed the lovely vista. Nuns in their sombre garments were kneeling in their stalls along the sides, and as I looked their pupils filed in to vespers, a double line of young Cuban girls, in white gowns and white yells, marching slowly down the central aisle to bend before the sanctuary railing, then, a distilled beverage obtained from the each couple separating, they came down agave, whose fermented julee makes anoththe side aisle to their seats, making four essions of youthful lovelines FANNIE BRIGHAM WARD.

HARDSHIPS OF GOLD-SEEKERS.

Region of Alaska. The stories of starvation in the Copper River region of Alaska were corroborated in official reports received at the War Department yesterday from Capt. W. R. Abercromble, of the Second Infantry, who is at Scattle, preparing to start for Alaska at the head of the Copper River exploring expedition. Captain Abercromble encloses Valdes. Mr. Bre says that people coming into Valdes from the interior report the condition of affairs there as being ter-Scurvy is the chief affliction, with many cases of frozen hands and feet. A physicians who have patients and who urge immediate action," says Mr. Brown. "In addition to those who have come out, it is have crossed traveled in large parties for the sake of safety, and have encountered terrific storms. It is reported that fully seventy-five cases of scurvy will exist between the glacier and Copper Centre, many of whom will never recover." Mr. Brown reports the death from scurvy and cold of Dr. Logan and a party camped on the Alfred Alleman, members of the Scientific Prospecting and Mining Company, of New York, also perished. On the recommenda-

Cactus Concoctions That Give Visions of Rainbows.

Mixtures Held in Honor by Mexican Indians.

Delights the Sense of Smell and Produces Views of Beanti-

The use of opium and hasheesh to stimulate the imagination is not considered a fully prescribed conditions. But another drug which has come into notice within some of the objections that may be offered to the first two mentioned. In the judgment of those who have tried it, the new intoxicant is more strictly intellectual in its appeal to the senses. Moreover, its immediate after effects are not so persifour as those of better-known drugs.

The name "mescat" is associated in the popular mind (and in the dictionaries) with agave, whose fermented julee makes another notable drink, Mexico's favorite pulque But the same word has also been used to designate an entirely different preparation, derived from a certain species of cacus, whose brown and bitter leaves are pressed into a solid button. For many years the Kiowa Indians of this country have been in the habit of paying peculiar homage to five or six related varieties of cactus, doubt because of their discovery of property possessed by one of them.

On Saturday nights they are accustomed to combine in one performance the fea-tures of a semi-religious ceremony and a mild debauch. A number of them having sented themselves on the ground around ; ommunications received by him from campfire and within a large tent, they lasks, telling of the prevailing distress, the most important of these is from apiece, and then solemnly await results. Alaska, telling of the prevailing distress, swallow three or four mescal buttons. The most important of these is from apiece, and then solemnly await results. Charles Brown, artermaster's agent at Their reverles are attended with singing prayer, and at intervals through the night they swallow more buttons, until each man has taken about a dozen. A tribe of Mexican Indians who show a similar revnumber of persons have died, and there are others who will lose their hands or feet from frostbite. "I have had many requests an extract from it at great festivals, and assist the celebration with a rasping of assist the celebration with a rasping of assist the celebration with a rasping of sticks and a picturesque dance in which both men and women indulge. Lewin, a Berlin scientist, discovered in

eported that the majority of the sick are | 1888 that this cactus, to which he gave the still in the interior, and fear to make the name "Anhalonium lewinti," contained a attempt to cross the glacier. Those who nine, but he did not learn anything of its vision-exciting powers. James Mooney, a representative of the United States Bureau centy-five cases of scurry will exist become the glacier and Copper Centre, many whom will never recover. Mr. Brown borts the death from scurvy and cold of Logan and a party camped on the cier. Adolph Ehrhardt, Max Miller and irred Alleman, members of the Scientific processing and Mining Company, of New mescal to Washington, and some experi-

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Although all the senses are to some ex-tent stimulated by mescal, it was the visual perceptions that were chiefly affected in the cases of Mr. Ellis and his friends. Mr. Ellis himself enjoyed ravishing dis-plays of color-now a succession of hues and then an infinite variety of the tints of

shapes and constantly changing propor-tions. It would enlarge and contract with

having secured the co-operation of a ciever planist. Without knowing what the com-positions to which he listened were, Mr. Ellis nevertheless found some resemblance between the images suggested to his mind and the names given to the music by the Scheherazade" produced an effect of floating white raiment.

The artist on whom experiments were tried had a weak heart, and experienced some unpleasant physical sensations. He suffered slightly from nausea, which was relieved when a biscuit was handed to him to eat, and at times he felt severe pains in the neighborhood of the heart. also reported an oppressive sense of suf-focation, singing in the ears, hot eyes, and hands, and tremors. But he emerged from the ordeal without harm. His visions were a little different from those of Mr. Ellis, but on the whole the excitation of the color sense was the predominant feature. All of the definite forms that he per-

ceived were grotesque, and suggested Au-brey Beardsley's conceptions. The time which clapsed from the first drug was usually about twelve hours. One might lie down—and he was apt to feel sufficiently indolent, after a little, to do so-but the subject was not sleepy, and he also found that he possessed a certain amount of intellectual independence. Mr. Ellis says:

as chiefly a saturnalia of the specific senses, and above all, an orgy of vision. A large part of its charm lies in the halo of beauty which is casts around the simplest Affred Alleman, members of the Scientific Prospecting and Mining Company, of New York, also perished. On the recommendation of Captain Abercromble, Acting Section of Captain Abercromble, Acting Section of Captain Abercromble, Acting Section of Captain Abercromble expedition arrived at Port Valdes supplies be sent to Copper Centre.

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temporary Review." The Smithsonian Institution esteemed Mr. Eilis' paper so highity hat it reprinted it in its report for 1897,
uncontrollable tendency to movement, and
issued from the press only a week ago.
Neither Mr. Ellis nor his friends ever took
more than three or four buttons. For a
beginner that seems to be the correct dose,
although for sensitive persons such an
amount may prove rather too powerful and
of vague and voluptious reverte. On this ground it is not probable that its uses will

A SHREWD SCHEME.

Speech to the Jury in Chinook Jar-

and then an infinite variety of the tints of one hue. For instance, at one moment he saw in rapid progression scarlers, crimsons and pinks; at another time there was a distinct predominance of golden color. The first effect of the drug, however, was the tendency of a printed page at which he was gazing to assume a blue or violet border; and at frequent intervals thereafter he was conscious of an exceptional abundance of prodominance of this between the constant of the color of the

he was conscious of an exceptional abundance of this hue. Almost the only after effect which he records was a heightened appreciation of blue and violet.

"Twelve years ago," said the laxyer telling the story. "Clark had as a client a general control of the charge of cutting appreciation of blue and violet.

Again there were great alterations in the brightness of the show. Sometimes the colors were sombre and sometimes exceedingly vivid. Indeed there were moments when he seemed to be gazing upon a most dazzling assortment of jewels.

Form was a less conspicuous phase of the display, yet it was not excluded therefrom. There were lace patterns, arabesques, portant of the color of the story. Clark stroke had as a client as man attrested on the charge of culting timber on Government land. The United States was represented by two federal attorneys arong timber on Government land. The United States was represented by two federal attorneys are stroked on the charge of culting timber on Government land. The United States was represented by two federal attorneys are stroked on the charge of culting timber on Government land. The United States was represented by two federal attorneys are stroked on the charge of culting timber on Government land. The United States was represented by two federal attorneys are stroked on the charge of culting timber on Government land. The United States was represented by two federal attorneys are stroked on the charge of culting timber on Government land. The United States was represented by two federal attorneys are stroked on the charge of culting timber on Government land. The United States was represented by two federal attorneys are stroked on the charge of culting timber on Government land. The United States was represented by two federal attorneys are stroked on the charge of Courses, but the color of the charge of the color of the display, yet it was not excluded therefrom there were lace patterns, arabesques, porcelain deaigns, and finally picturesque human figures. Occasionally the sense of smell was excited delightfully.

Most of the visual phenomena were perceived when the experimenter's eyes were closed, but if he raised his lids and looked about him any conspicuous object, like a gasjet, was likely to assume fantastic phanes and constantly changing experiments.

amazing frequency. It has been suggested that the Kiowas have a definite object in keeping a fire blazing before them whenever they indulge in a mescal scance.

Mr. Ellis also tried the effect of music, having secured the control of music, having secured the control of music. "As the United States attorney finished threw it aside. The next book shared the same fate. The third was opened only to be cast saide. Clark then squared himse f to the jury.
"'Nesika tillicams!' he commencid, and

then in a flow of Chinook Jargon went on to plead his client's cause. There was not to plead his client's cause. There was not a man on the jury but what understood every sentiment Clark conveyed, whereas the high-flown language of the imported attorneys had been utterly lost on them. "In vivid Chinook Clark painted a word picture of the trials and tribulations of the settler in the wilds of a Washington forest. Of the desperate effort necessary to maintain wife and babies. And be-cause his client had hauled a wagon load of continuod to the village store to trade for food he had been arrested, and his for floor he had been arreased, and his family deprived of his support.

"There was possibly not one in the jury hox but what had at some time been in the position Clark pictured. Every sympathy in them was aroused. Tears trick-

led down their rugged cheeks as Clark's Chinook flowed on The lawyers from afar were awake to

the disadvantage they were being placed under. An objection was entered to Clark's use of Chinook or any other landose to the last perceptible effect of the guage which the opposing counsel could not understand.

t understand.

'Your honor,' answered Clark, 'the ry here is to decide this case. The emused language so grandiloquent that not one of the jury has understood its pur-port. I am speaking to them in the sim-"Mescal intoxication may be described ple talk of Western frontiersmen, derstood alike by both Indian and white man who traverse and have been instru-mental in the development of this northwest. My language, call it jargon if you



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